

## **USASearch Affiliate Program**

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## The U.S. public is searching.

- There were 26.6 billion searches in December 2010— a 17% growth in the past year. Growth was driven by both:
  - Unique searcher growth (+4%).
  - Searches per searcher, or search intensity (+13%).





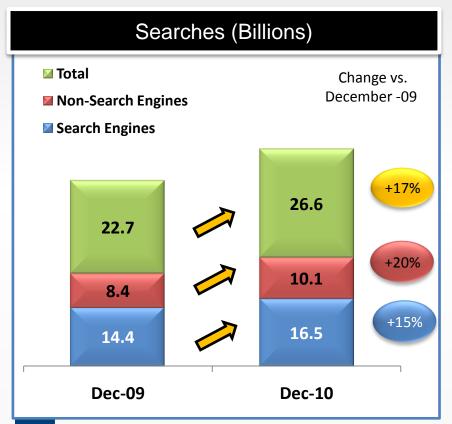
## Why do you need site search?

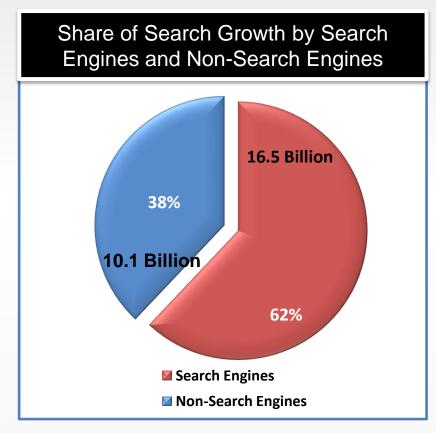
- Visitors need to able to quickly and easily find content on your site.
- Visitors use various—and winding—paths to find content on your site.
  - Searching on commercial search engines
  - Following links from other sites
  - Browsing on your site
  - Searching on your site
- The public is increasingly using site search to find information when they're on the Web.



### Site search is growing.

 Most searches are still on commercial search engines, but site search grew more rapidly over the past year.









## How do you select a site search tool?

- Requirements assessment
  - Considerations include price, platform, capacity, ease of installation, and maintenance.
  - Be realistic about scalability.
  - Don't underestimate cost or complexity of connectivity.

#### Options

- Enterprise search vendors (ca. 30)
- Search engine's customized "boxes"
- Open source
- USASearch Affiliate Program





## What is the Affiliate Program?

http://search.usa.gov/affiliates/

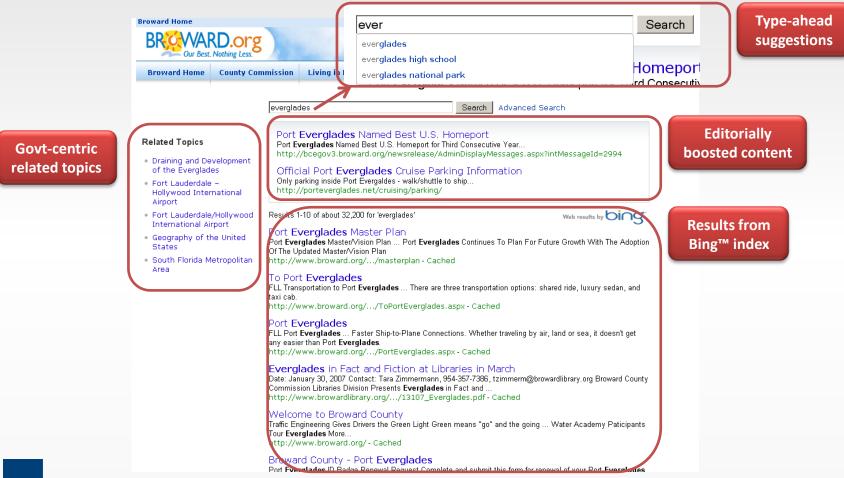
- Free, hosted site search ...
- with industry best practice features ...
  - Customizable look and feel
  - Type-ahead search and related topic suggestions
  - Content highlighting
  - Spanish language support
  - Detailed search analytics
  - HelpDesk forum and email support
- and a quick, reliable, and secure infrastructure.
  - Leverages Search.USA.gov's infrastructure and features
  - Search results delivered in less than one second
  - 99.9% uptime
  - Security certified and accredited (C&A)

A proven track record of excellent customer service with over 300 government websites using our program.





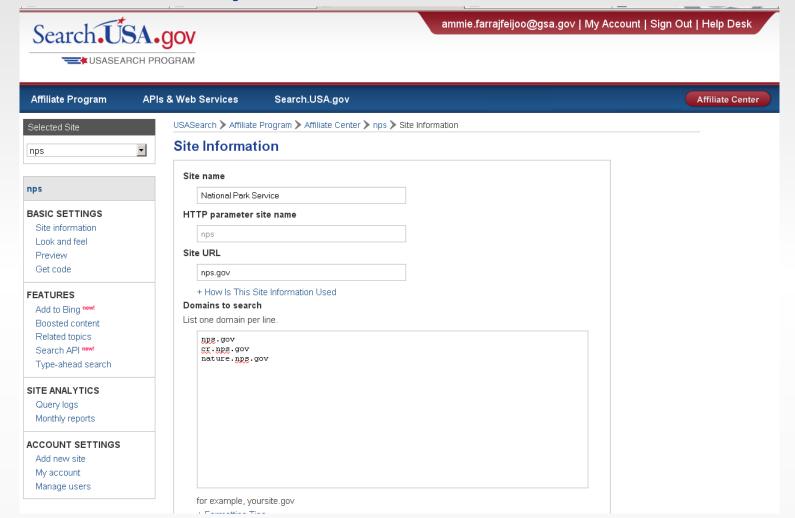
### **Commercial-Grade Search Features**







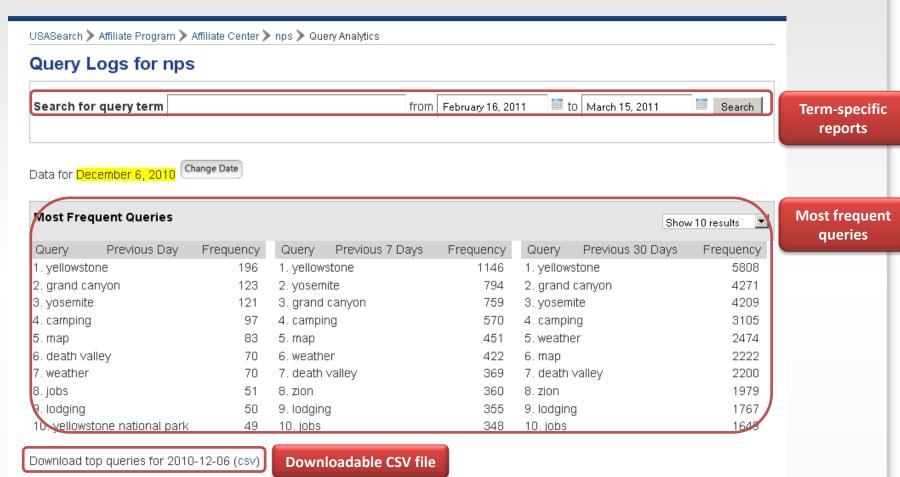
### **Easy-to-Use Affiliate Center**







## **Site Analytics**





# What are the APIs & web services?

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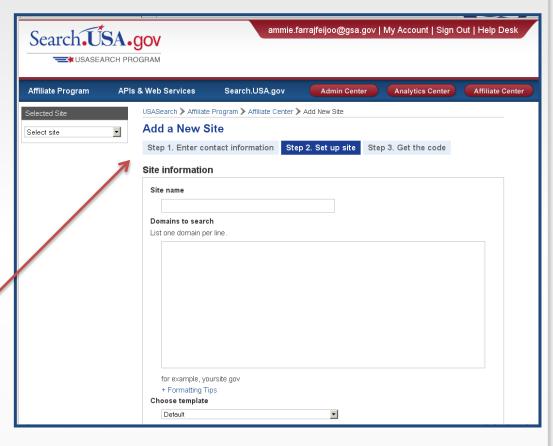
- Product Recall Data API (open to everyone) federates recall data from 3 federal agencies.
  - Food safety: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
  - Car safety: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
  - Product safety: Consumer Product Safety Commission
- **Search Data API** (only for govt agencies) provides access to Affiliate Program search results in XML.



# Register today—it's as easy as 1-2-3.

http://search.usa.gov/program/

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